

What Became of George Deering

By F. A. MITCHEL

A girl was working in a garden. Hearing a footstep on the walk, she looked up and saw a young man coming. Resting on her hoe, she looked at him intently.

"Morning," he said, doffing his hat when he reached her.

"Morning," responded the girl.

"Can you tell me where the Deering family have gone to? They lived half a mile down the road on this side."

"I remember that there was a family living thereabout when I was a little girl, but I don't know what has become of them."

"Putting in beets?" looking down at a drill.

"No, lettuce."

"Everybody's gardening this year."

"Yes. We've got to garden or starve. Prices of provisions are prohibitive."

There was a brief silence. The girl continued to loosen the soil with her hoe, then took up a rake and smoothed the ground from stones and tufts of grass. The young man showed no sign of moving on.

"So you can't tell me where the Deering family have moved to?" he said presently.

"No, I can't."

"Wasn't there a son, George?"

"George? George?" repeated the girl, as if trying to recall the person mentioned.

"I've been told he was the worst boy in the county. No apple tree was safe from him, and as for a watermelon patch, they say he would carry off a melon as big as a small barrel under each arm."

"If he was like that the county is well rid of him," the girl suggested.

"He was about eighteen when he left here, and I've been told that the night before he went he made love to one of the girls of the place, asking her to be his wife and telling her all sorts of yarn about how he was going to put her into a big house and dress her up fine, and all that. The next day he disappeared and never turned up again."

"There are lots of men like that in the world."

"Going to put in any potatoes?"

"Reckon not. Seed potatoes cost so much that I question if it would pay. It certainly wouldn't if the price of potatoes gets back to a reasonable figure."

"You say you don't remember George Deering?"

"If he was any such fellow as you have described I don't want to remember him."

She started another drill. The man took up a fork and opened the ground for her. When he had done so and removed some of the earth with the hoe he said:

"That'll be easier for you."

She thanked him and resumed her work.

"Do you see that beech tree over there?" he asked, pointing to a tree some fifty yards distant.

"Of course I do."

"I'm going over to look at it."

She made no comment, and he sauntered over to the tree, under which was a rustic bench. He glanced meditatively at the bench, then proceeded to the trunk of the tree and looked at some letters that had been made by carving the bark. It had grown together so as to give them an appearance of having grown there naturally.

"Won't you please come here?" he called to the girl.

She dropped a trowel and advanced toward him. When she reached him, pointing to the letters on the tree trunk, he asked:

"Whose initials are those?"

"The upper ones?"

"Yes."

"Those are mine."

"And those beneath?"

"I can't see them."

This was true; her eyes were dimmed with moisture.

"These letters," continued the young man, "stand for Eva Butterfield and George Deering. I know George very well. He's a faulty chap and no mistake, but there are palliating circumstances in his case. Sit down here and I'll tell you something about him."

He led her to the bench, where they sat down side by side. Then he continued:

"George struck bad luck from the start. He didn't write to Eva because he had nothing cheerful to write. At least he didn't send her a letter. He wrote one or two, but on reading them over they appeared to him so hopeless that he tore them up. Several years later the prospect before him mended, and he said, 'If I make some money I'll write to Eva.' He did make a little money, which gave him something to work with to make more, but when he sat down to write to Eva it occurred to him that he had treated her unparadonably. The only hope for him was to go to her and tell her so, and maybe she would forgive him."

"About that time a chance was offered him to get in on the ground floor of a big operation, and he concluded to wait awhile. If the scheme turned out well he might make good the stupid boast he had made the night he parted from her. It turned out bigger than his wildest dreams."

The girl had been looking at the toes of her shoes. When he ceased speaking she turned her face to his. Not a word was spoken, but a great deal was done. After being looked for some time in each other's arms George asked:

"Did you know me?"

"From the first moment I first saw you."

Faster.

"Isn't he rather fast, dear?" asked the anxious mother. "Yes, mamma," replied the girl, "but I don't think he will get away."—Boston Transcript.

Should Say Not.

"What's in a name?"

"Well, do you wish yours were Holen-pollern?"—The Lamb.

ROOT'S MISSION ENDS ITS WORK

"Heart of Russia Is Sound,"

Says General Scott

SENDS MESSAGE

"BACK HOME"

Cheered by Brusiloff's Success in Galician Drive

Petrograd, July 13.—"Tell Americans we have found the heart of Russia is sound; we have found the army's heart sound at the cafe. I believe in new Russia. She will fight desperately to help us conquer Germany."

The words are those of Major-General Hugh L. Scott of the American commission to Russia. He spoke them yesterday as a message to be sent "back home," now that the American mission has concluded its visit to the newest republic.

Gen. Scott was the happiest member of the American committee yesterday with announcement of the Russian victory at Halicz. He felt he had proved a good mascot to the Russian troops.

Exhibiting with pleasure in every gesture and word the American army chief of staff explained yesterday how Minister of Foreign Affairs Tereschenko in bidding him farewell had notified Scott that the Russian troops on the Halicz front had selected him as their mascot.

The drive started by Gen. Brusiloff substantiates his prediction that the Russians would fight valiantly. Gen. Scott answered, "In ten days they have taken as prisoners a third as many as the British and French have taken in three months. Also they have broken the enemy's line. Remember this is the first enemy line broken in a long time."

"The whole thing now depends on how strongly and effectively the great Russian offensive breaks the enemy up. Heavy pressure on the breach line must be constant and increasing."

Mr. Root's final word from Petrograd to his fellow citizens in the United States was:

"Americans, whoop 'er up for Russia!"

All Petrograd was celebrating the capture of Halicz yesterday. The city was decorated and crowds in the Newski paraded and cheered the army. Hundreds of citizens are sending their jewels and money to the "battalions of July 13," the troops specially awarded that name by Minister Brusiloff's great offensive. Nor are other troops now in action being forgotten.

Minister Kerensky is receiving medals and precious metal to be melted up for the soldiers from all over Russia.

The public is delighted at the communiques. One which caused laughter and cheers for a whole day related how the wind blew back on the German trenches asphyxiating gas released against the Russians. The public slogan nowadays is "Luck is with us."

Charles Edward Russell's concluding speech was before a group of Intellectual Socialists, headed by Piekhonoff. He vigorously urged unremitting war activity and was roundly cheered, the only man not applauding being a certain American Socialist now here.

All opposition to the war has subsided here and apparently throughout Russia. Even Nicolai Lenine, the pro-German peace enthusiast, has quieted down completely.

LONGING FOR A CHILD

Young Wife Almost in Despair. Now has Beautiful Baby Girl.

There is nothing more charming than a happy and healthy mother of children, and indeed child-birth under the right conditions need be no hazard to health or beauty. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has brought joy to many childless women by restoring them to normal health. Here is a notable case.

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In many other homes, once childless, there are now children because of the fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound makes women normal, healthy and strong.

STOCKS BREAK SHARPLY, THEN RISE RAPIDLY

Shippings Especially Affected By President's Warning—Confidence Restored By Steel Agreement.

New York, July 13.—Stocks broke sharply at the opening of yesterday's market as a result of President Wilson's warning to business interests against excess profits.

Shippings were most seriously affected, Atlantic Gulf and West Indies dropping almost six points and Marine preferred about three. Losses in other shares, especially steels and war equipments, ranged from one to two points, United States Steel making an extreme decline of two and one-half points to 125.

The decline was followed by a sharp rally as the result of satisfactory adjustment at Washington of the industrial situation. Many losses were more than made up and marines showed gains by noon. Industrial Alcohol, the tobacco stocks, United Railways and others gained one to five points. Liberty bonds dropped to 99 45-50ths.

HAD TO CURTAIL ON SUGAR.

Major-Gen. Pershing Couldn't Have It With Both Tea and Strawberries.

London, July 13 (correspondence).—Major-General Pershing, commander of the American expeditionary force in France, seated for tea on the beautiful Thames terrace of the House of Commons with Colonel Astor as his host, had an experience in England's war rationing when he found that he could not have sugar in his tea and on his strawberries as well.

"You may have only one portion of sugar, two-sevenths of an ounce," the waitress informed him with a quaint air of preciseness, and the general promptly chose sugarless strawberries, remarking that the sun, as though anxious to compensate, had sweetened the strawberries so well that sugar was not essential.

In the bounteous times of peace, the House of Commons waitresses used to trip about the terrace during the fine June afternoons with big bowls of white powdered sugar and lavish jugs of cream. Now the sugar is strictly rationed, and the amount of cream that may be used is limited to one small measured portion for each person.

TO DISCUSS REVISION OF ENTENTE WAR AIMS

Great Britain Notified Russia of Willingness to Enter Into Discussion.

London, July 13.—Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade and parliamentary under secretary for foreign affairs, announced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon that the British government has informed the Russian government of its willingness to enter into a discussion looking to the possible revision of the war aims of the entente allies. The British government, he added, is in consultation with the allies as to the form in which this discussion could most conveniently take place.

MAYWOON MUST DIE.

Sentenced to Death for Triple Murder in New Jersey.

Flemington, N. J., July 13.—A verdict of guilty of murder was returned by a jury here against Paul Maywoon and he was sentenced to die in the electric chair in the state prison at Trenton during the week of Aug. 12.

Maywoon was arrested after William H. Queen, Mrs. Queen and their daughter, Eleanor, were found dead, killed by an axe, at their farm at Mount Pleasant, early in June.

Maywoon had been employed as a farm hand.

MEDAL BILL TO SENATE.

Measure Passed By House Without Record Vote.

Washington, July 13.—Senator Warren's bill providing for the awarding by the president, in the name of Congress, of medals of honor and distinguished service medals for gallantry to officers and enlisted men of the army, was passed by the Senate yesterday without a record vote. Recipients of such medals would receive an increase of \$2 a month in pay.

FREEING SINN FEIN FOLLY

This the Opinion Now Expressed by the London Newspapers

BASE VIEWS ON EAST CLARE ELECTION

Are Alarmed Over the Position of the Nationalist Party

London, July 13.—The election of Edward de Valera as member of Parliament for East Clare, the third Sinn Feiner to be returned to Parliament of late, is treated as an event of great political consequence by the morning newspapers, which devoted considerable space to the incident yesterday. The tendency of the Unionist press, reflecting their advice from Belfast and Dublin, is to emphasize what it always contended—the folly of the government in liberating Sinn Fein prisoners and refraining to deal with revolutionary talk and acts as they would be dealt with in England. These papers regard the situation as gravely threatening, for they see nothing in the Sinn Fein movement but rebellion.

The Liberal press also is alarmed, but rather for the position of the official Nationalist party and for the prospect for the establishment of constitutional home rule. One opinion seems common to all parties, namely, that the prospect of the convention in Ireland to consider home rule is seriously impaired if not entirely doomed.

Another view is that the election is an irreparable disaster for the Irish Nationalist party, which, many Irish people complain, held the country for years in the dead hand of rigid machine policy.

The Sinn Fein movement is regarded in the same quarter as an expression of discontent and vehement presentment of a long course of administrative folly, indicating rather a lack of confidence with present parliamentary methods than a revolutionary tendency, and in this respect reassembling a state of mind which often leads Prussian electors, who themselves are not at all Socialists, to support Socialist candidates at the polls.

The Telegraph's parliamentary reporter says all the Irish sections of the House of Commons regard the result as virtually a death blow to the Nationalist party—the end of constitutional agitation and the beginning of republicanism. It is declared that no Nationalist seat outside of Dublin is now safe.

Timothy Healy, M. P., frankly gratified, says the English people are mistaken about the Sinn Feiners. They are not rabid extremists, but devoted idealists, he holds.

Commenting on the East Clare election of a Sinn Feiner to Parliament, the Irish Independent says: "Five out of every six electors who supported the victor did so out of sheer disgust for the cringing, crawling policy of the Irish party and the blundering tactics of their leaders."

The Irish Times considers that East Clare voted for a program of revolution. "The Sinn Fein policy so far has developed on destruction and bitterness pregnant with menace to the peace of Ireland, yet this policy triumphed over the memory of a devoted soldier (Major William Redmond) and swept the Nationalists out of a seat held without opposition for 20 years," says the Irish Times.

The Dublin Express says the victory is the most portentous thing in modern Irish political history. "It is clear," the paper says, "that the Nationalists can do little at a convention but record their pious opinions."

The Chronicle says the Sinn Feiners receive enormous sums of money from the United States, much of it doubtless from German sources, which enables them to conduct extensive propaganda.

The local correspondent at Ennis quotes Prof. De Valera as saying he does not intend to take his seat in the House of Commons.

Chamberlain Quits British Cabinet.

London, July 13.—Austin Chamberlain, secretary of state for India, presented his resignation as the result of the report of the British commission, which investigated the British defeat in Mesopotamia. The commission placed much of the blame for the British rout at the doors of the Indian government.

Lemons Beautify!

Make Quarter Pint of Lotion, Cheap

Here is told how to prepare an inexpensive lemon lotion which can be used to bring back to any skin the sweet freshness, softness, whiteness and beauty.

The juice of two fresh lemons strained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quarter pint of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier at about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary cold creams. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness and tan, and is the ideal skin softener, smootheners and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any pharmacy and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quarter pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands, and see for yourself.—Adv.

Topics of the Home and Household.

When using a safety razor for ripping seams, wrap one end of the blade with adhesive tape. This will protect the fingers.—Good Housekeeping.

Gray hair looks dusty quicker than dark hair and should be shampooed every three weeks in cold weather and every two weeks or oftener in the summer. A few drops of bluing in the last rinsing water will help in preventing the yellow tinge so often left on gray hair after the shampoo.

Buy in Bulk and Save Money.

Go to the store yourself.

Select for yourself the article you desire to purchase.

Inquire its price.

If quality and price please you, be sure that you get in weight or measure the amount you buy. Watch the scale. Watch the measure.

If the meat you purchase is weighed on a piece of paper or anything else, be sure you are not charged for the weight of the paper.

You are entitled to all the bone and the trimmings of the piece of meat that you buy. You should take home and make use of such bone and trimmings. The fat can be rendered and used for cooking purposes; the bone and trimmings used for soup or stew. When the trimmings are not taken home the butcher throws them into a box under the counter and sells them to someone else. They belong to you and you should have them.

In buying meat, don't go in and ask for 25 cents' worth of meat and leave the butcher to decide how much meat you should have for a quarter. Select your piece of meat, ask the price per pound; say how many pounds you want; have it weighed; see that you get your weight and that the butcher's calculations as to how much meat you have, at a certain price per pound, is correct. Many a penny is lost to the customer by neglecting the above simple precautions.

In marketing, the pennies count up very fast.

Don't allow your dealer to weigh in the wooden butter dish in weighing your butter unless he deducts the weight.

Don't buy in small quantities if you can possibly avoid it. Make every effort to get together two or three dollars. This will enable you to buy for cash; buy in larger quantities; buy where you can do the best.

In this way you can save two or three dollars in a very short time.

Under the laws and regulations of the city you have definite rights in the matter of getting full measure and full weight for everything you buy, and the city's bureau of weights and measures stands ready to help you get your weights. This is a protection that is due the honest dealer as well as your self.

Cheapness does not always mean quality and quantity.

Wherever possible buy in bulk and not in package.

Have you ever stopped to figure out how much more you would get for your money if you bought certain articles of food by the pound instead of by the package?

Food that is wrapped and sold in attractive looking packages must of necessity cost more than the same food sold in bulk, which means sold by the pound.

In the first place, the box or jar containing the food costs money. The wrapper costs money. The printing on the wrapper costs money. And it also costs money to fill the packages and seal them.

It follows, therefore, that you cannot possibly get as much food for your money when so large a part of your money has to pay for the box, wrapper, printing, etc.

There are several reasons why so many foods are put up in packages.

First: The package looks pretty, appeals to the eye and makes the food seem more appetizing.

Second: Most of the packages are airtight and dustproof, and for sanitary reasons a great many people prefer food that is done up in packages.

As a matter of fact, it is possible for your grocer to keep on hand, in bulk, exactly the same foods as the packages contain, and it is also possible for him to keep them in bulk in a perfectly sanitary manner, so that dust and dirt cannot reach them.

Steam-cooked cereals are not economical. Many cereal preparations, including most of those sold in packages, have been partially steam cooked at the factory. This shortens the time required to prepare them for the table, but, on the other hand, it injures their flavor and adds to them a large quantity of water, for the weight of which the purchaser pays. One cup of raw oatmeal will absorb four cups of water. One cup of steam cooked oatmeal will absorb only two cups of water. Therefore, one cup of raw oatmeal, when cooked, will make twice as much as one cup of steam cooked oatmeal, when cooked.

An argument in favor of steam cooked cereals is that they save time and fuel, but the raw cereals not only are more economical but far more nourishing and you can shorten the time of cooking by soaking them over night. All cereals require long, slow cooking. You can save both time and fuel, therefore, by using a fireless cooker for cereals. Cook the cereal on the stove for about 15 minutes; then put in fireless cooker and leave over night. You will find it all cooked and ready to be eaten when you get up in the morning.

If you will buy your tapioca, tea, soda crackers, graham crackers, ginger snaps, macaroni and starch in bulk instead of in package you will get a great deal more for the money you spend.

You will find it cheaper to buy your vinegar loose rather than by the bottle.

You will get a great deal more bacon for less money if you will buy it in bulk instead of by the jar.

A can of peaches or apricots contains very little fruit. A pound of evaporated peaches or apricots costs less than a can and contains at least three times as much fruit. If properly cooked, evaporated peaches and apricots are just as good as, if not better, than the canned

fruits and, in addition, you get a great deal more for your money.

You can get twice as much shredded codfish if you buy it loose rather than by the package.

By buying dried peas and lima beans instead of canned ones you can get twice the amount for one-half the money.

Dried peas and lima beans can be used in place of canned peas or beans for creamed soups and purees and one cup of dried peas or beans will go as far as two cups of canned peas or beans.

Canned baked beans are expensive. Even counting in the cost of fuel you can bake the same amount of beans for one-half the money.

Instead of using whole canned tomatoes for soups, sauces, etc., buy canned tomato pulp, which costs one-half the price.

Why should you buy things in packages when you can get almost twice as much of the same article for the same amount of money if you buy it in bulk?

Sit down and make a list of the various foods that you have been in the habit of buying in packages.

Think of the money you might have saved had you bought them in bulk.

Make up your mind to buy them in bulk in the future, if it is possible for you to get them.

It will pay you to break yourself of the package habit. There are many foods sold now in packages only that your grocer will be glad to carry in bulk as soon as he knows that you and his other customers want them.

The manufacturer, the wholesale dealer and the retail dealer keep on the watch all the time to find out what the public wants. Of late years the public has seemed to want food in attractive packages at a high cost. As soon as people learn that by demanding it they can get exactly the same food in bulk, kept in a perfectly sanitary manner, for about one-half to two-thirds the cost of package food, the manufacturer, the wholesaler and the retailer will meet the demand.—Irish World.

Dorothy Dexter.

INDIVIDUAL PREPAREDNESS

This is a time when our people need to be strong of muscle and steady of nerve.

Hysterical people are of no use in war time. When they try to help they hinder.

Preparedness should start with the individual. If you are run-down and nervous, pale and lacking in strength to do your part, you need more blood.

If your hand, your thumb or foot trembles when you try to hold it still, if the lines are shaky when you write, if you have tremors of your lips or chin, your nerves need strengthening.

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